Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) An airbag module comprising an inflator, an airbag and at least one substantially tape or cord shaped measuring element, a first end of the at least one substantially tape or cord shaped measuring element is connected to an interior surface of the airbag and a second end of at least one substantially tape or cord shaped measuring element is arranged in a storage device for the measuring element, whereby between the first and the second ends of the at least one substantially tape or cord shaped measuring element is located a measuring device for the measurement of one or more of the advance movement distance, the advance movement velocity or the advance movement time of the measuring element, and whereby a tensioning device for the measuring element is arranged between the measuring device and the second end, or at the second end, to tighten the measuring element between the first end and the measuring device prior to a deployment of the airbag[.] ,wherein the storage device for the measuring element is a sleeve or sheath formed of at least one flexible or spiral shaped cable connected at one end directly to an airbag housing module, each cable comprising at least one longitudinally extending sleeve or sheath chamber extending along the length of the cable for storing one of the at least one substantially tape or cord shaped measuring elements per chamber.

2. (cancelled)

3. (cancelled)

4. (cancelled)

5. (cancelled)

6. (cancelled)

7. (cancelled)

8. (previously amended) The airbag module according to claim 1, wherein the measuring element is arranged in the sleeve or sheath in a single layer.

9. (previously amended) The airbag module according to claim 1, wherein the sleeve or sheath comprises several parts along a longitudinal direction thereof.

10. (cancelled)

11. (cancelled)

12. (original) The airbag module according to claim 1, wherein the airbag module comprises a deceleration device for decelerating the movement of the measuring element.

13. (cancelled)

14. (original) The airbag module according to claim 12, wherein the deceleration device is arranged on the storage device.

15. (original) The airbag module according to claim 14, wherein the deceleration device is an indented region of the sleeve or sheath.

16. (original) The airbag module according to claim 14, wherein the deceleration device is a spring loaded bracket.

17. (original) The airbag module according to claim 14, wherein the deceleration device is a roughened inner surface of the sleeve or sheath.

18. (cancelled)

19. (cancelled)

20. (cancelled)

21. (cancelled)

22. (original) The airbag module according to claim 1, wherein the second end of the measuring element comprises a code.